



# Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Community

Catholic Church serving in Eastern Kentucky since 1913

July 18, 2021 | 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## **Eucharistic Services:**

7:00 pm Wednesday -  
Word & Communion Service

5:00 pm Saturday - Jackson, Vigil Mass

11:30 am Sunday - Mass

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Sunday after Mass; other times by appointment.

**Office Hours: Wed - Friday 10 am to 5 pm**

**Ministers for next Sunday, July 25**

Sacramental Minister : Rev. Bob Dueweke, OSA

Lector : Abby Turk

## **Ministers at MGC**

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## **Mother of Good Counsel Prayer**

**by B.J. Ewing**

Holy Mary, our heavenly mother, keep us in your care.

Give us your good counsel as we strive to be disciples of your son Jesus and help us to grow in faith and in our love for God.

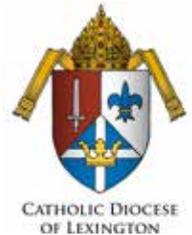
Bless our parish which is named in your honor. Help us in our lives as we humbly pray and help us be attentive to the needs of our families and our community.

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## **Parish Mission Statement**

Inspired and sustained in our Catholic faith through life-giving worship, we Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Community, have as our mission to bring Christ and the teachings of the Catholic faith to one another and the larger community in a ways that draws us together as a supportive family, yet reaches out with a genuine concern for all people, so that we can be authentic witnesses in an area where Catholics are few in number.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Jer 23:1-6

Eph 2:13-18

Mk 6:30-34



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

For leadership there is only one road: service. There is no other way. If you have many qualities—the ability to communicate, etc.—but you are not a servant, your leadership will fail, it is useless, it has not power to gather [people] together. ADDRESS TO PONTIFICAL COLLEGES

AND RESIDENCES OF ROME, MAY 12, 2014



### **Confirmation**

We welcome those who are receiving the sacrament of Confirmation today: Jaylissa Braman, Christina Elsoueidi, Adeline Turner and Karigan Turner. May they continue to grow in faith as adult members of the church.

### **New Roof**

Mother of Good Counsel is raising money for a new roof for the Education Classroom and Guest House. Currently the parish has raised \$750 toward the new roof. The parish needs to raise half the cost of the new roof which is \$10,000.

### **Community Meal**

Each month Mother of Good Counsel is preparing a meal for those in need on the third Friday of the month. Thank you to Rebecca Davidson and Susan Hull who helped prepare and deliver the meal for July. Our next community meal will be Friday August 20, 2021. If want to help cook & deliver this meal please sign up to volunteer.

### **Farmers' Market**

Perry County Farmers Market is open with its regular hours of operation :  
Thursdays from 4 pm -7 pm  
Saturdays from 7 am to 12 pm  
The market is at the Farmers' Market Pavilion located near Triangle park downtown. The Grateful Bread is part of the farmers' market on a regular basis.

### **International Dinner**

Mother of Good Counsel is planning to have the annual International Dinner this year with some modifications. If you would be willing to serve on a committee to organize this event please contact Lori. Currently we are looking at September 10 for a date.

### **Interested in Becoming Catholic**

Do you know someone who wants to know more about Catholicism or has questions about the Catholic Church? We will have a virtual Come & See on August 24 at 7 pm on Facebook. Our regular RCIA meetings with begin on September 14, 2021 with a hybrid gathering style.

### **Adult Faith Formation**

Next Tuesday, July 27 we will be having adult faith formation at 7:30 pm done as a hybrid virtual/ inperson event. We will be reading The Telling Takes Us Home. Go to <https://www.ccappal.org/publications>

### **Outing to Pikeville**

The Appalachian Center for the Arts is hosting an exhibit called The World of Jesus. Mother of Good Counsel Parishioners are planning on taking a trip to this exhibit in August. Please let Lori know if you are interested in this outing.

### **Parish Planners**

Next Sunday following Mass Parish Planners will meet. Bring a dish to share for a potluck lunch. All are invited to join us for this meeting.

### **Religious Education Registration**

Please register your children in kindergarden through twelfth grade. Religious Education and Teen Disciples will begin meeting in late August. early September. Please register your children so that we can get an accurate count of students and have current paperwork on your children.

### **Pilgrim's Trail**

With Bishop John's endorsement, lay people of our diocese are creating a new opportunity for people of parishes and missions throughout our diocese to connect. It is intended to:

- Create a trail to every parish, mission and oratory in the Lexington diocese.

- Encourage exploration of our diocese – a very historic part of the United States: the “western territories of colonial America”.

- Encourage interested Catholic individuals and families to connect to others around the diocese.

Would you be interested in exploring other parishes and missions in our diocese? Would you be interested in welcoming people coming to Mother of Good Counsel and telling them about our parish? Please let Lori know of your interest in this project.

## *Happenings this Week*

### **Wednesday**

**4 :00 pm First Reconciliation & First Communion Class**

**6:40 pm Rosary & Communion Service**

### **Saturday**

**7 am - 12 pm Farmers' Market**  
**- Grateful Bread will be selling bread.**

### **Sunday**

**Following Mass Parish Planners**

## *Our Weekly Offering*

for 07/11/21

Loose: \$ 43

Envelopes : \$390

Monthly : \$300

Online : \$140

**Total Weekly Offering: \$ 873**

I WILL RAISE UP SHEPHERDS FOR THEM WHO WILL SHEPHERD THEM SO THAT THEY NEED NO LONGER FEAR OR BE TERRIFIED; NONE SHALL BE MISSING.  
JEREMIAH 23:4



## Follow the Leader

This is not simply the name of a childhood game. It is actually an essential directive for living. We learn so many things in life because we followed someone. That is how we learned to read, to play a musical instrument, to speak another language, or to understand social behavior.

Many nations at the time of Jeremiah represented their kings as shepherds, leading the people to verdant pastures and restful waters. We see this in the art they left behind. However, many of the kings of Jeremiah's day were not good leaders—not attentive shepherds, nor faithful to God, who had entrusted the people to their care. Consequently, God stepped in to be their shepherd. This is the image of the divine shepherd found in the responsorial psalm. Jesus also characterized religious leaders as shepherds. He was distraught that the people were “like sheep without a shepherd” (Mark 6:34).

Is this situation different today? Many are eager to follow a leader, but which one? Ours is a multicultural, pluralistic, international society with innumerable viewpoints. Voices cry out from many corners, demanding to be heard. But which voice should we heed? Which worldly leaders should we follow? It's apparent that our leaders, both civic and religious, disagree on certain matters. What are we to do? The issue is not “with whom do I agree?” but rather “whose point of view makes me a better person? More compassionate? More understanding? More selfless? More Christlike?” Are we following the right leader?

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

## For Reflection

Our Shepherd never pits us against each other but brings us together. Is this reflected in the way we live in society?

Our Shepherd cares for all, not just those whom society has privileged. Do we?



# Readings for the Week

## Monday

JULY 19

*Weekday*

Ex 14:5-18

Mt 12:38-42

## Tuesday

JULY 20

*Weekday*

Ex 14:21-15:1

Mt 12:46-50

## Wednesday

JULY 21

*Weekday*

Ex 16:1-5, 9-15

Mt 13:1-9

## Thursday

JULY 22

*St. Mary*

*Magdalene*

Sg 3:1-4b or

2 Cor 5:14-17

Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

## Friday

JULY 23

*Weekday*

Ex 20:1-17

Mt 13:18-23

## Saturday

JULY 24

*Weekday*

Ex 24:3-8

Mt 13:24-30

## Sunday

JULY 25

*Seventeenth*

*Sunday in*

*Ordinary Time*

2 Kgs 4:42-44

Eph 4:1-6

Jn 6:1-15



# Dear Padre

July 18, 2021

***I read this is the liturgical year of Mark, that next year will be the year of Matthew, and the following year, Luke. Then it starts over with Mark again. Why doesn't John have a year?***

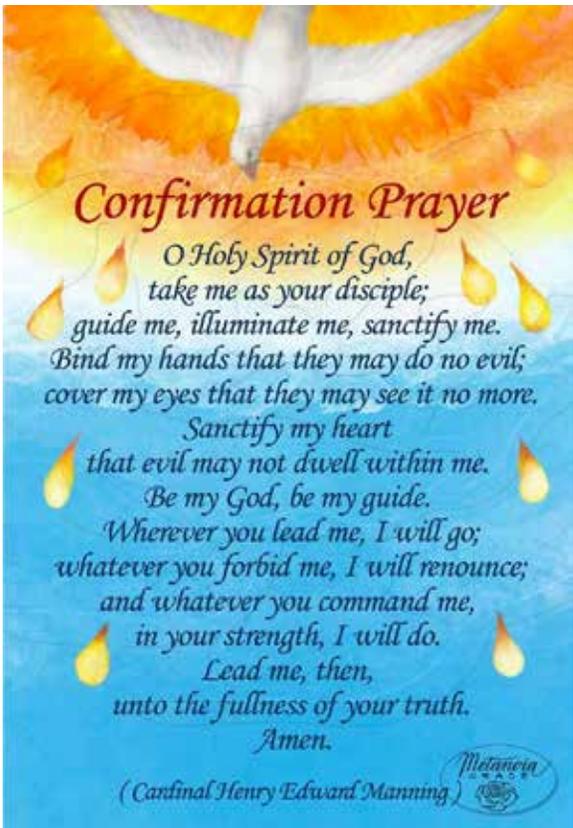
The purpose in a three-year cycle of readings at Mass was primarily a pastoral one. "The treasures of the Bible are to be opened up more lavishly, so that richer fare may be provided for the faithful at the table of God's word. In this way a more representative portion of the holy Scriptures will be read to the people in the course of a prescribed number of years" (Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy [*Sacrosanctum Concilium*], 51).

All of Scripture is the word of God, but "Christ, present in his word, proclaims the Gospel" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 29). Moreover, Christ reveals himself to us from four different Gospel perspectives. For some people, John's version—often deeply symbolic and theological—can be pastorally challenging.

The semicontinuous reading of the three synoptic Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke) "provides a presentation of each Gospel's distinctive doctrine as well as a development of the Lord's life and preaching" (*Lectionary for Mass*, 1970; 16,1). Nevertheless, John's Gospel appears in all three cycles. For example, five readings from chapter six on the bread of life are inserted in Year B, when Mark's short Gospel is proclaimed. John's Gospel is also read during Easter and scattered throughout the seasons of Advent, Christmas, and Lent.

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR

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**Confirmation Prayer**

O Holy Spirit of God,  
take me as your disciple;  
guide me, illuminate me, sanctify me.  
Bind my hands that they may do no evil;  
cover my eyes that they may see it no more.  
Sanctify my heart  
that evil may not dwell within me.  
Be my God, be my guide.  
Wherever you lead me, I will go;  
whatever you forbid me, I will renounce;  
and whatever you command me,  
in your strength, I will do.  
Lead me, then,  
unto the fullness of your truth.  
Amen.

(Cardinal Henry Edward Manning)




## Birthdays This Week:

7/21 : Scott Caudill

7/23 : Abby Turk

## Prayer List

Joey Napier, Ray & Wanda Lindon, John Meehan, Roy Varghese, Brian Campbell, Matt Tuttle, Willie Gomez, Joe Fehribach, Louise Ayres, Marjorie Himmertzheim, Charles McDaniel, Jon Latunik, Nancy Nuttter, Deb Night, Harvey Richardson, Delois McIntosh, Karen Davis, Zachary Hollan, Bob Rogers, Deedee Wells, Sherrian Noble, Stephanie Welch, David Napier, Martha Huggins, Willie Wagers, Christina Askew, Charles Brotherton, Willow Brockman, Tina Dawhare Fields, Valarie Maggard Dye and Renee Messer.

## Stay Connected to MGC on Social Media



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If you know of someone who needs a pastoral visit or is in the hospital and would appreciate a visit contact the parish and let Lori know about the request.

## Prayer Family Confirmation Students